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TO: The Commission

FROM: Bonita A. Benn, Administrative Law Judge

DATE: February 26, 2008

SUBJECT: LH Telecom, Inc.

Petition to protect Petitioner's Annual Report from disclosure for not less than five years to protect highly proprietary information.

RECOMMENDATION: Enter the attached Order exempting Petitioner's 2007 Annual Report from public disclosure for a period of five years.

LH Telecom, Inc. ("Petitioner") seeks an order protecting its 2007 Annual Report from public disclosure for a period of five years. Petitioner states that its 2007 Annual Report contains commercial and financial information that is highly proprietary and confidential, and that disclosure of this information to competitors would be detrimental to Petitioner.

Since this request is similar to many others, a hearing was waived. The attached Order finds that Petitioner's 2007 Annual Report should be exempt from public disclosure under Section 7(g) of the Illinois Freedom of Information Act and Section 5-109 of the Public Utilities Act for a period of five years. Accordingly, I recommend that the attached Order be entered granting the requested relief.

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